REMARKS

Claims 1-15 and 26-30, and 32-50 are pending. Claim 31 is hereby canceled

without prejudice. Claims 27-50 were previously added. Claims 1, 7-10, 26, 30, 32, 35,

40, and 48 are amended herein. Claims 16-25 were previously withdrawn. No new

matter has been added.

35 U.S.C. § 103(a) REJECTIONS

Claims 1-15 and 26-50 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious

over Johnson et al., European Pat. App. EP 0792041 A2, in view of Alve, U.S. Patent No.

6,959,090.

The Examiner is respectfully directed to independent Claim 1, which, as

amended, recites that an embodiment is directed to:

> A method, including steps of
>   importing a media stream, having a portion encoded in accordance
> with a first digital content format, wherein at least a subset of said portion
> is encrypted;
>   decrypting said encrypted subset of said portion;
>   encoding said media stream into digital content, in accordance with
> a second digital content format, wherein said encoding comprises:
>   encrypting a portion of that digital content, less than the
>   entire digital content, the portion of the digital content that is
>   encrypted being required for presentation of the media stream;
>   not encrypting a portion of that digital content, less than the
>   entire digital content, the portion of the digital content that is not
>   encrypted being sufficient for conducting navigation operations on,
>   without decrypting, the media stream represented by the digital
>   content.

Independent Claims 26, 40, and 48 recite similar limitations. All pending dependent

claims depend on one of these independent claims, and recite further features of the

claimed embodiments.

The pending rejection suggests that Johnson, in combination with Alve, recites every limitation of the claimed embodiment. Applicants respectfully disagree, and contend that Johnson, alone or in combination with Alve, fails to teach or suggest a method, including steps of importing a media stream, having a portion encoded in accordance with a first digital content format, wherein at least a subset of said portion is encrypted; decrypting said encrypted subset of said portion; and encoding said media stream into digital content, in accordance with a second digital content format, as claimed.

The rejection asserts that Johnson teaches or suggests importing a media stream in a first digital content format having an encrypted portion, decrypting that portion, and encoding the media stream into a second digital content format. Applicants respectfully disagree. The portion of Johnson cited as supporting this assertion includes no discussion of media stream importing, nor decrypting from a first format and reencoding into a second format, as claimed.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully contend that Johnson, alone or in combination with Alve, fails to anticipate or render obvious the embodiments recited in the independent claims. Accordingly, Applicants further respectfully contend that Claims 1-15, 26-30, and 32-50 overcome the basis for rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), and are in condition for allowance

Conclusion

In light of the above-listed amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully

request allowance of the remaining Claims.

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the

Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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